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Senate Resolution 610

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Commissioner Bebe Heiskell and Walker County for their efforts to promote

- 2 tourism in Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, tourism is Georgia's second largest industry and supports 209,500 jobs while
- 4 contributing \$1.14 billion in state and local tax revenue each year for a savings of over
- 5 \$380.00 in state and local taxes to each Georgia household; and
- 6 WHEREAS, from the majestic views of Rock City Gardens to the grand columns of the
- 7 Gordon Lee Mansion, Walker County hosts a wide variety of tourist destinations many of
- 8 which feature the community's deep ties to Cherokee heritage and the county's historic role
- 9 in the War between the States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Walker County takes great pride and care in these treasured sites and, with the
- 11 excellent guidance and conscientious leadership of Commissioner Bebe Heiskell, has
- 12 generously invested its resources to promote tourism in Georgia; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Walker County is a shining example of the important impact that each
- 14 community can have on the vitality of our state's tourism industry.

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- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 17 join in commending Commissioner Bebe Heiskell and Walker County, home of some of the
- 18 state's most interesting, historic, and picturesque sites, for many outstanding contributions
- 19 to tourism in Georgia.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 21 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Walker County Commissioner Bebe
- 22 Heiskell.